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SUBJECT: PROSPECTS FOR BANGLADESH ADMISSION TO UN

1. DURING AMBASSADOR DAVIS E. BOSTER'S COURTESY CALL AT BANGLADESH OBSERVER MISSION OFFICE, NEW YORK, ON MARCH 12, BANGLADESH PERMANENT OBSERVER TO THE U.N., S.A. KARIM TOLD BOSTER THAT THE BDG DOES NOT EXPECT TO GAIN ADMISSION TO THE UN DURING SPECIAL SESSION THIS APRIL. KARIM SAID THAT PRC STILL APPARENTLY OPPOSES BANGLADESH ADMISSION AND MIGHT CONTINUE TO DO SO EVEN IF 195 POWS ACCUSED OF WAR CRIMES WERE RETURNED TO PAKISTAN WITHOUT FACING TRIAL. KARIM EXPRESSED HIS OWN OPINION THAT PRC OPPOSITION TO BANGLADESH ADMISSION IS APPARENTLY BASED
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AS MUCH ON CHINESE FEARS OVER EXTENT OF SOVIET -- AND

POSSIBLY OF INDIAN -- INFLUENCE IN BANGLADESH AS ON
SUPPORT OF PAKISTANI POSITION. KARIM STRONGLY IMPLIED
THAT IN VIEW OF UNCERTAINTY OF PRC ATTITUDE HE HAD
RECOMMENDED TO DACCA THAT BDG REFRAIN FROM EFFORTS TO GAIN
UN ADMISION BEFORE UNGA SESSION THIS FALL.

2. SOURCE OF KARIM'S INFORMATION ON PRC POSITION IS
UNNAMED REPRESENTATIVE OF COUNTRY FRIENDLY TO BOTH
BANGLADESH AND PRC. BANGLADESH MISSION IN NEW YORK HAS NO
DIRECT CONTACT WITH CHINESE, ACCORDING TO KARIM. MEMCON
BEING POUCHED WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS. KISSINGER

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